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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Makoto SAITO

Serial Number: 09/476,334

Group Art Unit: 2161

Filed: **January 3, 2000**

Examiner: **J. Hayes**

For: **DATA COPYRIGHT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.411

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Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 14, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2002, extended to January 23, 2003 by the enclosed Three Month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A data copyright management method comprising:
- encrypting unencrypted copyrighted data using a first secret-key;
 - supplying the encrypted data to a primary user;
 - decrypting the encrypted data using said first secret-key;